

Appn. No. 09/655,893

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II. Remarks

Reconsideration and reexamination of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is herein respectfully requested. After entering this amendment, claims 9-21 remain pending.

Response to Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has requested that the applicant's elect one of the following inventions as required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 8-13, drawn to a method for forming a connection.
- II. Claims 14-20, drawn to a method for forming a connection within a multi-layer circuit board.

As shown in the listing of the claims, claim 8 has been cancelled and the dependencies of claim 8 have been amended to depend on claim 14, rendering a response to a restriction requirement moot.

Further Claim Clarifications

The remaining independent claim of this application has been amended to clarify, more particularly to point out and distinctly claim that which the applicant regards as the subject matter of the present invention. Specifically, the claim now recites the step of attaching the second precircuit assembly to the dielectric member.

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Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present form of the claims are patentably distinguishable and respectfully request that the restriction requirement be withdrawn as moot.

Respectfully submitted,

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